

## Christmas Messages

Topic: The Unwanted Guest.  
Text: Luke 2:7 "No room . . .  
in the inn."

Christmas is again upon us, reminding us of the first Christmas nearly two thousand years ago. One would scarcely believe that the above words, "no room . . . in the inn," would be a literal fact, but it was. Could it be that Jesus, the Saviour, the King of Kings, was an unwelcome guest? Nevertheless it was true. Not only did the world reject Him, His own people the Jews received Him not. How it must have grieved Him to see His own look upon Him with disdain, scorn, and indifference. They understood not His love and compassion for them. The words of Jesus bear this out as seen in Matthew 23:37, "O Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not."

Today boys and girls, men and women are doing with Jesus what the inn-keeper did, closing the door of their hearts to the only one who can save them and give them a feast, a real satisfying portion. God's Word says of Jesus, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come to him, and sup with him, and he with ME." Rev. 3:20. Will you choose such a one and invite Him into your heart, or will you trade the pearl of great price for things which pass away with the using, leaving your heart an empty void?

O my friend, Jesus came many years ago, born in a manger, to save you. You can know you are saved. Paul said, "I know whom I have believed." You too can know sins forgiven, heaven within your soul, a peace that passeth understanding in your heart, and a hope that maketh not ashamed, if you will let Jesus come into your heart, the Christ of the Christmas season. May God grant that your prayer today may be:

"Into my heart, into my heart  
Come into my heart Lord Jesus.  
Come in today, come in to stay,  
Come into my heart Lord Jesus."

Then the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Rev. Geo. E. Warnock.

### W.I. MEETING

The January meeting of the Irma W.I. will be held at the home of Mrs. R. McFarland. Hostesses: Mrs. J. Rae and Mrs. E. Fuder. Roll call—one grey flannelette diaper for our aid to Greece.



Peace for  
Christmas

...and throughout the  
New Year. May you enjoy  
to the fullest all the  
happiness and good cheer  
of the season.

Steve's Shoe Shop

### IRMA UNITED CHURCH

Will Christmas come on December 25? The 25th of December comes and goes and the calendar date really has nothing to do with the true Spirit of Christmas.

When Christ was born, a new spirit of love was born in the hearts of men and women. That Spirit of Love is the True Christmas Spirit.

So it came to earth in human form—mercy and truth and love had a human face in Jesus Christ our Lord.

When will the Spirit of Christ be born again in the people of our world.

Before World War I broke out, David Lloyd George asked the British Parliament to spend 200 million dollars to alleviate poverty and disease and build educational and recreation centres.

He was branded as a foolish dreamer and an idealist who sought to bankrupt England.

Yet months after, when war broke out, Britain spent 200 millions a week, 52 weeks a year for four and a half years, not to stamp out poverty and disease; not for educational and recreation centres, but for war and destruction.

Again from 1939 to 1945 war was waged at even greater cost, and we wonder what tomorrow will bring forth.

Do you think we are really striving to make the Christmas proclamation of "Peace on earth, good will to men" a reality.

Will Christmas come to our world this year?

It will come when the Spirit of Christ has right of way in the Governments of the world and the Government shall be upon His shoulder.

May we open our hearts to the Christ this year.

Rev. H. W. Ingils.

### IRMA UNITED CHURCH

Service Sunday, December 24  
Paschendale—11:15 a.m.

Roseberry—3 p.m.

Irma Sunday School—11 a.m.

Worship service—7:15 p.m.

The worship services will be family services. Come as a family group and worship.

Sunday, December 31

Services at the usual time at Strawberry Plains, Alberta and Irma.

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Celebration of Holy Communion and Carol singing will be held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday, December 24 at 2 p.m.

Kindly note change in time for this service to which all our friends are heartily invited to worship with us.

### Glen-Coa Gleanings

Mr. Olaf Lovig is a patient at Hardisty hospital.

The Camrose college students, Evelyn Erickson, Norma Likness, Gordon Hollingen, and Johnny Erickson came home on December 21 for their holidays. Curtis Satre and Lawrence Likness will also arrive from Saskatoon in time for Christmas. Sharon Luther League, under the capable leadership of the president, Miss Solveig Stefensen, has prepared a fine program for the holiday season. For the fulfillment of the plans much depends upon weather and roads. Sharon's Christmas service will be at 11 a.m. on December 25.

We extend to all our readers the Season's Greetings. May we remember the message of the angels: "For unto you, is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

### CARD OF THANKS

The Irma W.I. wishes to thank all those who helped in any way to make their bazaar a success. A special thank you to the girls who waited on tables.

## School Board Meeting

Minutes of meeting of the Wainwright Divisional Board for the first day of December, 1950.

Members present: H. G. Polkins, F. E. Dixon, F. M. Hill, Wm. Lawson, F. Zajic, Mrs. A. McLeod.

Zajic—that the minutes of the November meeting be adopted as read. Cd.

Folkins—that Bursaries by the Board and the Department of Education for teacher training be continued for the year 1951-52. Cd.

Mrs. McLeod—that the following persons be invited to attend a meeting at the school on Tuesday, December 12, 1950 at 8:00 p.m., and further that a recommendation be made to the Divisional Board at the January meeting with respect to the using of the Wainwright Public School basement as a miniature rifle range. Cd.

C. W. Hunting, L. D. Dalbertson, C. W. Morgan, P. Patterson, P. M. Amishaw, E. D. Wilson, L. B. Adams, Col. Pound, Dr. J. D. Wallace and W. Riome.

Folkins—that Mr. M. B. McLeod be granted leave of absence for a period of six weeks and that arrangements for said leave be made with Mr. McLeod and the office staff for a substitute janitor during that time. Cd.

Folkins—that the report on School Administration by the Board and the Secretary-Treasurer as given by Mr. A. B. Wetter, Field Administrative Officer of the Department of Education be accepted and filed. Cd.

Mrs. McLeod—that we adjourn until 1:00 p.m. Cd.

Mr. Symington and Mr. L. Robertson of Irma met with the Board to discuss possible changes in the Alma Mater bus route and the following action was taken.

Folkins—that the Alma Mater bus route be left in the hands of the following committee to include the Alma Mater Local Board, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Hill and Mr. Symington. A meeting was to be called at an early date to settle the direction and length of the said route. Cd.

Mr. Carter discussed with the Board the janitor duties in the Wainwright High School.

Lawson—that Mr. H. E. Clifford of Ribstone, be contacted with respect to the moving of the Irma School to the Paschendale site that a definite date be set immediately for the moving of the school, otherwise the previous tenders will be considered with respect to the moving of the said school. Cd.

Mrs. McLeod—that there will be no stops for children of the Fabyan district outside of the district itself owing to the severe overcrowding of the bus, and further that families concerned be advised by letter. Motion lost.

Dixon—that the Fabyan bus return along the route three miles to pick up the children who were unable to ride in the bus on its first trip, this arrangement to be for the month of December, 1950 only. Lost.

Folkins—that Mr. Hill and Mr. Dixon be a committee to arrange for a survey of the Fabyan bus route and that said survey be made as soon as possible. Cd.

Mrs. McLeod—that the Superintendent's Report be adopted. Cd.

Zajic—that the Dormitory Report be accepted. Cd.

Hill—that accounts be paid in the amount of \$26,769.05 and that the same be included in the minutes of this meeting. Cd.

Dixon—that Christmas Concerts in the Wainwright School Division No. 32 be held on Friday afternoon or evening December 22, unless permission is obtained from the Sub-Divisional Trustee to hold such concert on another date. Cd.

Zajic—that we arrange with the Bank of Montreal of Wainwright for a long term loan over a period of five years in the amount of \$35,000.00 and that said loan be paid in five annual equal installments with interest not to exceed 4 1/2 per cent. Cd.

Mrs. McLeod—that a contract be drawn with Mr. Carter and with Mrs. Carter according to the arrangements made with the Dormitory Committee. Cd.

Lawson—that we adjourn. Cd.

Next meeting of the board to be held on January 6, 1951, beginning at 9 a.m.

## Easterly Echoes

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tindall attended the F.U.A. Convention in Calgary.

Mr. Joshua Holt is a patient in the Wainwright hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor and Myrna with Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson and son, motored to Edmonton for a short stay.

Mr. George Fitzpatrick of Holyoke has been visiting his sisters, Mrs. Gordon Fenton, Mrs. T. Bacon and Mrs. H. Barton.

Mr. F. Barton and Carl Engler are doing some demolition work at a lumber camp out of Edson.

"May you have the gladness of Christmas, which is Hope; The spirit of Christmas, which is Peace; The heart of Christmas, which is Love."

—Your Easterly Echoe.

### NOTICE

No stock will be received on Monday, December 25, Christmas Day, or January 1, 1951. The next shipping date after December 18 will be Wednesday, January 3, 1951. After that Wednesday hogs will be received every Monday as usual.

—GTP Shipping Ass'n. C. Anquist

### BATTLE RIVER W.I. HALF YEARLY PROGRAM

Place of Meeting  
January—Mrs. Dempsey; February—Mrs. Sanders; March—Mrs. Enger; April—Mrs. Bacon; May—Mrs. Savard; June—Mrs. Stougard.

Hostesses  
January—Mrs. King and Mrs. Cook; February—Mrs. Morse and Steele and Mrs. Enger; April—Mrs. Patterson; March—Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Savard; May—Mrs. W. Bacon and Mrs. Dootson; June—Mrs. Stougard and Mrs. Fenton.

Program  
January—Miss Reed's talk; February—Mrs. Morse; March—Mrs. Sanders; April—Mrs. W. Bacon; May—Mrs. Cook; June—Mrs. Steele.

Draw  
January—Mrs. W. Bacon; February—Mrs. Patterson; March—Mrs. Dootson; April—Mrs. A. Bacon; May—Mrs. Fenton; June—Mrs. Morse.

Roll Call  
January—give one of last year's resolution remaining unbroken.

February—recite a valentine verse. (Preferably own composition.)

March—give a helpful house-cleaning hint.

April—recount an April Fool joke.

May—a gardening hint.

June—favorite magazine.

## Jarrow News

Alfred Orzechski returned home last week after spending a few days in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Holt were recent visitors out at Batts. While J. M. was busy, Gladys took the opportunity to drop in on some of her old-time neighbors who are always happy to see her.

Mrs. W. Jamieson, Mrs. H. Whidden and Miss P. McPeak were week end visitors in the city.

Mrs. G. Theroux entertained her S. S. class at her home last Sunday. Following the S. S. session in the morning, dinner was served and the afternoon was spent outside with skates and toboggans.

Margaret Nichols is back in town and will be staying with her father for the winter.

### NOTICE

Ratepayers are reminded that to avoid tax penalties, all outstanding taxes should be paid prior to December 31, 1950.

Taxes remaining unpaid at this date will bear a penalty of 5% while such taxes remain unpaid.

Irma Village Council.

## Students' Union Entertain Irma Home and School Association

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all, for their help and sympathy in our recent bereavement. For the floral tributes and memorial donations.

—Ada and Sydney Johnston and family.

### WAINWRIGHT CLINIC

Clinic Building—4th Ave. Main  
WAINWRIGHT, ALBERTA

### Physicians and Surgeons

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J. E. BRADLEY, M.D.

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J. D. WALLACE, M.D.

Orthopaedics and Traumatic

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G. M. ASCHAM, M.D.

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O. S. HAUCK, D.D.S.

Dental Surgeon

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IRMA OFFICE

Every Thursday from 2 p.m. to

5 p.m. Appointments to be made at

IRMA DRUGS

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EDMONTON ALTA.

The Students Union entertained the members of the Irma Home and School Ass'n in the school auditorium on Wednesday evening, December 19.

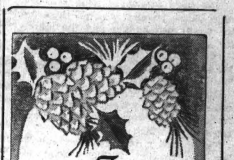
From all reports this was a most enjoyable get-together.

The program was of a very high order and all numbers were fully appreciated.

The games and contests which followed were entered into with zest by both young and old and full justice was done to the tasty lunch at the close of this jolly evening.

We understand that both our H. S. teachers excelled themselves that night. Mr. Reeds in his ability to drink pop and Mr. Gunn in decorations for the auditorium.

Let us hope the Home and School and the Students Union will have many more such happy occasions.



To  
Wish You  
a Happy  
Christmas

May joys beyond  
description  
be yours  
for Christmas  
and the New Year.

### Irma Food Market

L. E. MEIER



### BEST WISHES

Once again we meet on the old familiar ground, and pass around the old greetings of Merry Christmas, best wishes and good cheer.

May we take this opportunity of renewing old and dear acquaintances and to wish each and all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Imperial  
Lumber Co. Ltd.

H. L. Black, Manager



With  
Best  
Wishes  
for  
CHRISTMAS

May Christmas  
find you happy  
And the New Year  
keep you that way.

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